

BOARD OF BUILDING REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

@ 1:00 PM

The National Guard Armory

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Directions to the National Guard Armory

Take Route 128 (Route 95) to Route 9 West. As you exit the off ramp from 128 (heading north) you will pass by a large HMO building on the right (there is a stop light in front. Go through the lights, Minuteman Lane is the fourth street on the right. There is plenty of parking. The conference room is in the center of the building.

The BBRS is comprised of eleven members representing a cross-section of the building design, construction and regulatory communities. Statutorily, by Massachusetts General Law (MGL) c 143 § 93 the make-up of the BBRS includes:

A Representative from the building trades, a general contractor of 1 & 2 Family Homes, a general contractor of commercial and industrial buildings, a registered architect, a registered professional structural engineer, a registered professional mechanical engineer, a building official from a town, a building official from a city, a local fire chief and two ex-officio members, the chief of inspections for the Department of Public Safety or his designee and the State Fire Marshal or his designee. Current members of the BBRS are:

Current Make-up of the Board of Building Regulations and Standards

Gary Moccia, Chairman - Representing Registered Professional Structural Engineers

Alexander MacLeod, Vice-Chairman- Representing Registered Architects

Stanley Shuman- Representing General Contractors of Commercial and Industrial Buildings

Harry Smith – Representing General Contractor of 1 & 2 Family Homes

Asesh K. Raychaudhuri – Representing Registered Professional Mechanical Engineers

Chief Keith Hoyle – Representing Chiefs of Local Fire Departments

Timothee Rodrique - Designee for **Steven Coan**, State Fire Marshal, DFS

Brian Gale – Building Official from a Town

Robert Anderson- Designee for the Chief of Inspections – Building, for the DPS

Vacant Position – Representing Building Trades

Vacant Position – Building Official from a City

The powers and duties of BBRS members are found in MGL c 143 §§ 93 through 100. General laws may be accessed by visiting www.state.ma.us/legis

OLD BUSINESS

October 16, 2007

#	Subject	Due Date	Status
1.	Meeting Minutes (when approved, minutes will be uploaded to the web): Board Vote requested on September 11, 2007 meeting minutes/action items	10/16/07 Vote	MSG (attachment)
2.	1. 7th Edition Basic ("commercial") Building Code and 2. Proposed changes to the 7th 1&2 Family Building Code These will be posted on the DPS website www.mass.gov/dps on or before October 16 for public hearing on November 6.	Info only	TMR MSG
3.	Request for Board Member Changes: No new update	Placeholder	RA
4.	Cables in Concealed Spaces Advisory Committee: The committee has now issued a cover memo and two DRAFT Position Papers in this matter and these are attached for BBRS review and comment.	Placeholder (needs H. Cutler presence)	TMR
5.	Task Force addressing impact of sprinklering of one and two family homes: A list of the Task force members who generated the original white paper is available. Staff will remove this item from the BBRS agenda if no BBRS action is requested by Oct 30 but will add it to the agenda again if a relevant action request arises in the future.	Placeholder ←-See note	TMR
6.	780 CMR and 527 CMR wrt NFPA 110: Potential Code Conflict. Board voted in January to move to BCCC for their awareness. As part of the BCCC process if any conflicts or duplication are identified then BBRS will be notified of same. Staff will remove this item from the BBRS agenda if no BBRS action is requested by Oct 30 but will add it to the agenda again if a relevant action request arises in the future.	Placeholder ←-See note	TMR
7.	Cambridge Transformer Vault: A meeting of DPS and Fire Service Personnel has taken place wrt this matter but no other updates to report (Awaiting fire investigation report issuance). Staff will remove this item from the BBRS agenda if no BBRS action is requested by Oct 30 but will add it to the agenda again if a relevant action request arises in the future.	Placeholder ←-See note	Tim Rodrique TMR
8.	STATUS: MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING FIRES OF LATE; Georgetown, Peabody, Beverly; Stoughton: STATUS Awaiting fire investigation reports but it should be noted that the proposed 7th Edition Basic Building Code Fire Protection Chapter (C9) will require enhanced sprinklering of multi family Residential building complexes, above and beyond the requirements of NFPA 13R where "13R" is currently allowed. Staff will remove this item from the BBRS agenda if no BBRS action is requested by Oct 30 but will add it to the agenda again if a relevant action request arises in the future.	Placeholder ←-See note	Tim Rodrique TMR
9.	Fuel Oil Truck Storage (FURTHER DISCUSSION REQUESTED): The BBRS VOTED to interpret that where a fuel oil truck is stored in a building that the USE classification of that storage area be classified as "H" //The question that now arises is: The BBRS voted to allow "Licensed Repair Garages to retain an S-1 USE Classification BUT staff has discovered that at least some communities do not license Repair Garages	TR to propose a recommendation to address "licensing" of repair garages	TR

NEW BUSINESS

October 16, 2007

No.	Subject	Due Date	Status
1.	Approval of New Construction Supervisor Licenses Total = TBD issued between September 7, 2007 and October 12, 2007.	10/16/07 Vote	MSG
2.	Requests for First Issuance of "Building Official Use Only" CSL for Municipal Building Inspector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> George A. Fabrizio, Sr. CSL No. 02798 Town of Randolph. 	10/16/07 Vote	MSG
3.	Requests for CSL Change for Municipal Building Inspectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 	Placeholder	MSG
4.	Requests for Reinstatement of (or in this case acceptance of test results beyond the one year expiration period): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robert W. Leete for medical justification. 	10/16/07 Vote	MSG
5.	"Fire Separation" of attached garages or "garages under" relative to the main house (6 th Edition C36, Section 3603.5, inclusive and 7 th Edition, C53, Section 5309, inclusive) BBRS reviewed a specific issue of maintaining the fire rating of a garage ceiling with a set of pull down stairs. BBRS suggested that itumescent paint might be a viable option.	Further discussion requested by Harry Smith	HR
6.	Appeals cases involving "zoning" issues was discussed last month. Board vote on Staff recommendation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> send a "notice" on the subject to all MA Building Officials and change the Appeals application form 	10/16/07 Vote	MSG (Attachment)
7.	Board Vote requested to designate Chris Popov as a hearings officer acting on behalf of the BBRS.	10/16/07 Vote	RA
8.	Private and public Piers, docks and floats located in navigable and non-navigable waters of the United States / Discussion	Placeholder for legal input	TMR
9.	ICF (Insulated Concrete Forms) Code Question Background and Discussion	Discussion	TMR
10.	Local Permit Applications are being submitted for BBRS approval. Approved permits may be used in lieu of the standard permit required by the code. Staff is requesting a letter from the applicants affirming that their permit application form has at least all the required information found on the state form. All requests will be held until the December 11 meeting.	Info only	MSG
11.	Manufactured Homes Discussion and BBRS Vote: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommended solution for snow load roof design issue (BBRS vote requested) Introduction and key points on code change proposal for Manufactured Building Regulation 	10/16/07 Vote	Horrocks/Gross man
12.	Brief overview of DFS meeting held October 11 and potential code changes to result from it.	Info only	TR
13.	Other		